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BONDARENKO, Nellie

Contacted by Mr. Bohdan PYSLAK in Toronto on May 11, 1965. Nationality Ukrainian, age 29, from Moscow. Presently resides in Moscow. Does not speak Ukrainian. Avoids political topics, but willingly answers questions sticking to the official propaganda line. Spoke about life in the USSR, said that students were always welcome, and that they had freedom of movement. Praised Canada and seemed to be sincere in that.

KOSOGOROV, Nicholai :

Contacted in Toronto by Mr. Bohdan PYSLAK on May 11, 1965. Nationality Russian. Age 34, from Moscow. Presently resides in Moscow. Talks more freely, praised life in the USSR said that people there were happy. Mentioned that he was acquainted with members of the Kiev dance ensemble, but would not elaborate. Knew about fire in the Kiev library, said that nothing of value was destroyed.

BUTOV, Evgeniy:

Contacted by R. on May 19, 24, 1965 in New York. Nationality Russian, age 28, from Khovrino, presently resides in Moscow. Married, wife is member of ensemble also. Is quite friendly and good natured. Talked about the "good life in the USSR" and invited source to visit the USSR "as a student". There was no significant political conversation.

RHODZHOYAN, Rudi: *cit USSR* *POB: Baku, USSR* *A Moscow, USSR*
friend of Soviet defectors Medlin and Berchuk. Considered defector in past.
Contacted by R. in New York on the following dates: May 24, 27, June 15, 17, 28. Nationality Armenian, single, age 21, from Baku. Presently resides in Moscow. Is very friendly, likes to joke and tell vulgarities. When in the presence of other Armenians speaks only

Armenian. Likes girls asked source to arrange a date for him. Asked source to contact him with the 2 Soviet musicians who defected in Japan, saying that he was acquainted with them. Spoke positively of young Russian poets, mentioning EVTUSHENKO in particular. Said that there is a large assimilation of Ukrainians into Russian in Ukraine, while

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in Armenia nationality feelings run much stronger. Subject was interested in Nureyev's life in England, and told source that the Soviet government had sent Nureyev's mother to visit him and convince him to return to the USSR. Told source that he was greeted warmly by Ukrainians in Canada. Told source that he was a member of the Komsomol, but did not take an active part in it's activities. Subject discarded the possibilities of having correspondance with source, saying that it would be dangerous to him. Told source about riots with African students in Moscow last winter. Mentioned that there is currently a large percentage of Ukrainians in the Soviet government. Subject praised Khrushchev, and told source a joke about Khrushchev. Source added that Khrushchev was well liked by most of the people. Seemed to have a naive conception of the KGB at first, but later spoke out against them. Commented that relations among people's of the USSR were on the whole friendly, but there was a hatred between Armenians and Russians. Said that relations between Ukrainians and Russians were not the best, and that Ukrainian-Polish relations were very bad. Subject spoke out against the war in Viet-nam and the role of the U.S. Displayed ignorance on subject of roles of the Union republics. Towards the end showed quite openly bitterness towards the Soviet regime with such comments as; "You live in the U.S. and don't understand our predicament". At one point together with OGANOV he indicatted that they were contemplating to remain in the U.S. but first wanted to see Boris MIDNEY and Igor BERESHITIS whom they knew from Moscow. Later they changed their minds and decided not to defect because of expected reprisals against their ^{parents} ~~families~~.

✓ SOKOLOV, Victor: [] >

Contacted by R. in New York on the following dates; May 27, June 15,17,19,28. 1965. -

< Nationality Russian, married, age 20 from Moscow. Presently resides in Moscow. Member of the Komsomol. > Is usually quiet and lets friends do the talking. Stays in company of KHODZHOYAN and OGANOV. His room-mate in the hotel was KHODZHOYAN. Behaves in a well-mannered way. Although he is mannered likes to meet other girls and have relations.

< When gotten alone becomes cynical of the Soviet regime, and tells anti-soviet jokes. >

Has a certain affinity for wise guys, and con men (ZHULIKI) and likes to brag about

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their exploits. Knows about prison songs being sung now in LUBYANKA prison. Subject has a great fear of the security organs of the USSR and believes that they know all that is going on. Knew who the security man with the company ^{despite previous promises} was, but refused to point him out to source. Told source that KOSIGIN is definitely the stronger man in the Kremlin at this time, giving the reasons that he is a good economist, and has a strong party ^{organization of} Leningrad behind him. Subject was bitter on the topic of agriculture in the USSR, and confided in source that he could not understand or comprehend the bread crisis in 1963. He seemed bitter that Khrushchev sold bread to Cuba, while in the USSR there was bread only in MOSCOW, LENINGRAD, and KIEV, Said that there were protests in Lviv and Kharkiv in 1963 because of the bread situation. Subject praised a book that he had seen in Paris called "Jokes of the Armenian Radio", saying that many of the members of the troupe had enjoyed it. On the topic of the Russian emigration subject said the NTS group was too militant, adding that he was approached by them in Chicago at a party with literature. Subject spoke positively of young Russian poets, mentioning EVTYSHENKO, and ROZDESTVENSKY. Subject appraised the Soviet press thus: very few people read PRAVDA or IZVESTIA because of the dull political articles, while VECHERNAYA MOSKVA is very popular because of its human interest stories, divorces and theater. Subject commented about an American that defected to the USSR, subject considered him to be crazy. Was also interested in the life of the 2 musicians who defected in Japan. Asked about NUREYEV and his life. Subject said that the Red Chinese send "Tons of propaganda into the USSR". Subject was also disturbed about the war in Viet-nam and laid part of the blame on the Chinese. Subject agreed to send source books about the history of the USSR and works of young poets from Moscow. Subject refused to give source words to prison songs, fearing retaliation at home. Instead he ~~feared~~ promised to send from a Moscow suburb. Subject promised to let source know when he will travel abroad

Cit: USSR

again.

OGANOV, Sergei

d.o.b. ca 1941 prob. Baku

USSR

*friend of defectors mentioned Baruchin
considered defection but changed
mind for fear of reprisals*

Contacted by R. on the following dates in New York: May 20, June 16, 23, 1965. Nationality Armenian, single, age 24, born in Baku. Very friendly, likes to joke and has a good

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sense of humor. Likes girls, and went with source to a party organized by source. Is not overly interested in politics and would rather have a good time. Has definite feeling of Armenian nationalism. At party where there were present American-Armenians he confided to them that he would like to remain in the U.S. but fears retaliation at home for his family. Asked source a few times about MEDLIN and BERESHITIS said that he wanted to meet them. Is interested in soccer, has a scant knowledge of the Hungarian revolution, is not naive about the political life in the USSR.

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KULIKOV, Stanislav:

Contacted by R. in New York on May 19, and June 23, 1965. Nationality Russian, married, age 28, born in Moscow, Presently resides in Moscow. ~~Quiet~~, well mannered. Talked positively about life in the USSR, said that he enjoyed being with the dance company. There was no significant political conversation.

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SHINDYPKIN, Victor:

Contacted by R. on June 23, 1965. Nationality Russian, married, age 25, born in Moscow, likes girls. Likes to dance and wanted to learn modern American dances. Very friendly, well mannered. Speaks English fairly well. Not interested in political discussions.

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